

At a Meeting of the Principals of the Town of York and its Vicinity, held on the 15th day of December, 1791. The Honorable Committee of the Town of York, it is Resolved,

1st.—THAT a select Society be established by and for the Town of York, called THE LOYAL AND PATRIOTIC SOCIETY, for the following specific purposes :

1st.—To afford aid and relief to such Families or Individuals who appear to experience particular Distress in consequence of the Friends and Relations employed in the Militia.

2d.—To afford like aid and relief to such Militia Men who are wounded, by Wounds or otherwise, in consequence of their service to the Committee hereafter to be named, by the Legislature, to some of the cases above mentioned.

3d.—To reward Merit, excite Emulation, and confer Medals or other honorary marks of public Acknowledgment on Instances of personal Courage or Fidelity in the Service of His Majesty's Regular or Militia Forces.

4th.—THAT that the Society shall continue during the War, and shall be under the special protection of the Government, SHEAFFE, or the Person Administering the same, at the time being.

5th.—THAT every Person throughout the Province, who has paid One Pound or upwards, shall be admitted into the Society, and have the privilege of recommending others to be admitted, voting at all General Meetings and Deliberations, and of electing one of His Majesty's Executive and Legislative Councils, the Clergyman of the House of Assembly, the Clergyman of the Town of York, or any other Person whose annual Subscription shall be at least One Pound, to be Directors of the Society for the purpose of raising Money, and of Field Officers of His Majesty's Regular Forces, and of Honorary Members of the Society.

6th.—THAT the affairs of the Society be Governed by a Board of Directors to assemble Quarterly, that the Board be in the Town of York, which Board shall consist of a President and any number, not less than five of the Members of His Majesty's Executive Council.

7th.—THAT the affairs of the Society be Governed and in

the Principal Inhabitants of the Town of  
Vicinity, held at York on Tuesday the  
December, 1812, pursuant to Public No-  
rable Chief Justice SCOTT, Chairman,

be established by annual Subscription throughout the Province, to be  
AND PATRIOTIC SOCIETY OF UPPER CANADA, for the  
uses :

to such Families of the Militia in all parts of the Province, as shall  
particular Distress in consequence of the Death or Absence of their  
employed in the Militia Services in Defence of the Province.

Relief to such Militia Men as have been or shall be Disabled from La-  
therwise, in course of the Service aforesaid. Provided it shall appear  
after to be named, that over and above the Aid afforded by the Le-  
cases above mentioned, some further Relief is necessary.

Emulation, and commemorate glorious Exploits, by bestowing Me-  
marks of public Approbation and Distinction for extraordinary in-  
rage or Fidelity in defence of the Province, by Individuals, either  
ar or Militia Forces or Seamen.

shall continue during the present War with the United States of Ame-  
r the special protection and patronage of His Honor Major General  
son Administering His Majesty's Government in this Province, for

throughout the Province, whose annual Subscription shall amount to  
s, shall be admitted to the honor of being a Member of the Society,  
of recommending Objects to its charitable Bounty, and also of Vo-  
ings and Deliberations of the Subscribers. And that the Members  
ative and Legislative Councils, Judges of the King's Bench, the Spea-  
sembly, the Clergymen of the Established Church, together with eve-  
annual Subscription shall amount to Ten Pounds or upwards, shall  
ciety for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, and all General and  
Majesty's Regular Forces serving in the Province, are invited to be  
the Society.

Society be Governed and its business Conducted by a General Board  
Quarterly, that is, on the first day of the Quarter Sessions, in the  
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not less than five of the other Directors, and that the Chief Justice and  
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4th.—THAT the affairs of the Society be Governed and managed by a Board of Directors to assemble Quarterly, that is, on the first day of January, May, September, and January, in the Town of York, which Board shall consist of a President and any number, not less than five of the other Members of His Majesty's Executive Council for the Province. And that no General Meeting of the Society, or Vice Presidents of the Society, without the presence of the Board cannot be held or business transacted.

5th.—THE General Board of Directors shall, by the Secretaries of their proceedings, and statements of their accounts, be kept for that purpose, in order that the same be open to the inspection of the Subscribers. And to facilitate the same, shall appoint Committees of their own Members respectively to apply to the relief of cases of Distress arising therein, and to obtain in such Districts, except three per cent on the sum, the Directors towards effecting the third object of the Society, shall from time to time transmit to the Secretary of the Society, of their proceedings and expenditures, that unity may be kept out the Province, and a full Statement of its Transactions of all the Subscribers and the Public at large.

6th.—THAT the respective Sums at first to be Subscribed by each Subscriber annually during the continuance of the Society, or until the Province or some material alteration in the circumstances for the present year, be paid within one Month after the first of January, years, at such periods as the General Board of Directors shall think fit, Board to provide Supplies, best adapted for Relief of the Poor, on such Terms. And that the Money accruing from such Subscriptions constituting the Funds for the purposes of the Society.

7th.—THAT exclusive of the Annual Subscription, the Society may accept of the extent whatsoever from those who may not choose to become Subscribers of the Society, and the Names of such Benefactors shall be Published Quarterly in the York Gazette.

8th.—AND whereas it is the opinion of this Society, that no Person, who has been in the Service, can compensate for insubordination and breach of Discipline, particularly Resolved, That the Board of Directors shall not confer any other Honorary marks of Distinction upon any Militiaman who has been guilty of Desertion or absenting himself from his Duty without leave, or to afford any Relief whatever from the Funds of the Society to any Person.



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s shall, by the Secretary and Treasurer, make regular en-  
tatements of their Receipts and Disbursements, in Books to  
r that the same be occasionally Published and submitted to  
. And to facilitate the objects of the Society, the said Board  
r own Members residing in the different Districts, who may  
tress arising therein, the whole amount of the Subscriptions  
t three per cent on the said amount, to be appropriated by  
e third object of the Society ; and that the said Committee  
o the Secretary of the General Board at York, an account  
tures, that unity may be preserved in the Society through-  
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l alteration in the circumstances of the Subscriber) and shall  
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elf from his Duty without leave from his Superior Officer,  
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